Women suffering from domestic violence

*365. DR. ABHISHEK MANUSINGHVI:
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a study was conducted between March, 2005 to April, 2006 by a team of doctors from the Department of Community Medicine, Lady Hardinge Medical College, who presented the report in the 34th National Conference of the Indian Association of Preventive and Social Medicine in February, 2007;

(b) if so, whether the study has revealed that 42.8 per cent of the women have suffered from domestic violence; and

(c) if so, in what manner Government propose to deal with such an alarming situation, especially emotional, physical and sexual violence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. However, according to the Directorate General of Health Service, Lady Hardinge Medical College and Smt. Sucheta Kriplani Hospital, New Delhi, the findings of the study, which was conducted on 350 women in the 15-49 years age group in one area of Delhi cannot be generalized for the whole city or the country.

(c) The Government has enacted the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005, which has come into force *w.e.f.* 26th October, 2006, to protect women from violence of any kind occurring within the family.

Growth of food processing industries

*366. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the food processing units sanctioned in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years, district-wise;

(b) the food items processed therein; and

(c) the steps being taken to revive the units that have been closed down?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI): (a) Details of number of food processing units to which grant for setting up/modernization/expansion of their units has been approved by the Ministry during last three years, namely, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07, in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) The food items processed in these units include oil, solvent extraction, raw and boiled rice, pulses, biscuit and other bakery products, fruit and vegetable products, cashew, fish, seafood and meat, corn flakes and other ready-to-eat food items, dairy products. etc.